

Score in Spectacular Musical



Eleanor Powell and Robert Taylor are featured in the tuneful, romantic "Broadway Melody of 1938" which opens tonight at the Torrance theatre.

Seen With Dazzling Splendor



Silvery Alpine slopes provide a gorgeous background for the romantic story of "Thin Ice," featuring Sonja Henie, premier skater shown above, and Robert Taylor. The film opens Saturday night at the Plaza theatre in Hawthorne.

'MELODY OF '38' FILMED IN BIG WAY

Covering a stage larger than any found in a New York musical theatre, production was filmed on the "Your Broadway and My Broadway" number from "Broadway Melody of 1938," co-starring Robert Taylor and Eleanor Powell, and opening tonight at the Torrance theatre.

Representing a futuristic New York scene, the set is said to surpass both the "Pretty Girl Is Like a Melody" and the "Battleship" numbers seen in "The Great Ziegfeld" and "Born to Dance," in size and brilliance.

More than a dozen futuristic buildings, which can be raised story by story to a height of eighty feet or lowered in the same manner by means of hydraulic pumps; hundreds of buses, automobiles and street cars, all run by electricity; and dozens of brilliant neon signs comprise the main background of the set.

A fifty-step stairway, constructed of glass, is one of the outstanding features of the set, while a series of skyscraper curtains disclose in sections the beauty and magnitude of the backgrounds.

It was designed by Cedric Gibbons, head art director, and his associate, Morrill Pye, who created the sets in "Ziegfeld" and "Born to Dance."

Musicians, Inc. Non-Profit Group Forms

Incorporation papers, bearing the great seal of the state of California and certified by Secretary of State Frank C. Jordan, were received Monday for the newly-formed Torrance Musicians' society, whose directors are Mr. and Mrs. George N. Mershon and E. R. Sheriff.

The society was created, according to Mershon, to "disseminate music appreciation and promote musical activity within Torrance without gain or profit to its members." It will also "promote general welfare of the musician professionally and otherwise," according to the incorporation prospectus, and "engage in social and educational functions without contemplation of pecuniary gain."

No capital stock is to be issued by the society but it may own, lease or rent real estate and construct all kinds of buildings and borrow and make contracts in its own name. Mershon said that the organization "must start from scratch because we have no finances. We do not plan to engage professional musicians, such as we did last season, for any concert and all who join the society bind themselves to agree to carry out any plans for musical appreciation that the members decide upon."

The music leader said that his chief ambition is to produce an opera which has never before been performed in this country. However, he still does not know if the Musicians' society will undertake this venture and consequently is not making any plans for the production as yet.

City Outlaws Hitching Posts MASSILLON, O. (U.P.)—A horse no longer can be "parked" in Massillon. The city council has ordered removal of all hitching posts.

EYE OPENERS -- by Bob Crosby



Although the Greeks and Romans had games similar to modern football, the origin is English, Twelfth Century. The English public schools first organized the game, and it came to America in about 1870 in two forms, Association football and Soccer. The modern version of the game was adopted in the year 1906.

Around Hollywood Film Lots

HOLLYWOOD (U.P.)—In the movies, the mountain not only goes to Mohammed—it also brings Mohammed along with it.

That's what happened to a company making "College Follies of 1938" for Columbia.

Because the troupe needed a country college as a background, the company went to the Pomona College, famed as Robert Taylor's alma mater, 24 miles east of Hollywood.

There they worked for several days making outdoor scenes around the campus. The location work was finished at 4 p. m. one afternoon and Director Al Rogell ordered the company to report to a studio sound stage at 4 p. m.

When the players marched into the stage, they were bewildered. There they stood in the exact spot they had vacated at the college two hours before. The facades of the buildings had been constructed exactly to scale on the stage. Paths and gardens were laid out in reproduction of the grounds at the college. Even the ivy on the walls matched perfectly.

The studio found it was far cheaper to reproduce a college down to the smallest detail rather than to continue to take the company out of town every day.

In this synthetic home of

"THIN ICE," GAY MUSICAL STARS SONJA

A gay and magnificent musical that skims in shimmering delight along the silvery Alpine slopes, snow-drenched with dazzling spectacle and exciting beauty, heart-warming with riotous fun and young romance, brings Sonja Henie and Tyrone Power together, as you wanted them to be, thrilling, as you knew they'd be, in the Twentieth Century-Fox picture, "Thin Ice," which opens Saturday night at the Torrance theatre.

Topping all her triumphs of "One in a Million," Miss Henie is more radiantly exciting than ever as she displays new beauty, new daring and new breath-taking thrills.

A delightful romance of mistaken identity affording many hilariously funny situations, "Thin Ice" concerns the romance of a beautiful skating star who falls in love with a man she believes to be a reporter, but who, in reality, is a Prince.

Three elaborate skating numbers with hundreds of gorgeous girls in sensational ice-royals in the dazzling winter wonderlands of the Swiss Alps, intersperse the romantic story. In these numbers, Miss Henie executes many skating routines more difficult than any ever before attempted on ice. Weeks of intensive practice were necessary in order to perfectly execute the routines.

Arthur Treacher, Raymond Walburn and Joan Davis head the important supporting cast, which also includes Sig Ruman, Alan Hale, Leah Ray, Melville Cooper, Maurice Cass, and George Givot.

Diver, 77, Keeps Job Despite Hazard of Age

SPRINGFIELD, Mass. (U.P.)—Many men of 77 are still able to report for work each day. But few of them can boast a more hazardous profession than John Robinson.

A veteran deep-sea diver, Robinson is now employed as a diver by the Springfield Gas Light Company. Recently, within a few hours, he recovered a sunken automobile and two victims of a drowning accident from two Massachusetts ponds.

Prosperity in Waste BERKELEY (U.P.)—This city has found a new means for gauging the growth and development of a municipality. Its increased revenue from garbage last year was 5.54 per cent.

Townsend Club Activities

Tonight in Elementary auditorium, Martina at 220th street, our local club will have its monthly program. We are bringing a speaker new to the Torrance public, James S. Jolley of the Speakers' Bureau in Los Angeles. Friends and members should turn out in full force to hear him, for this man has a stirring message for every citizen. There will be other numbers and at the close a social hour and refreshments.

The membership fee is now greatly reduced and one cannot afford to not join and so keep posted on plenty that is happening these hectic days.

All clubs in this district were represented in the throng that gathered Monday evening to hear the Dr.'s final address before he left for national headquarters. It was given in the Junior High school at San Pedro. Two young Spanish señoritas, colorfully garbed, entertained with Spanish melodies.

Madam Stark of the Dr.'s party was so enthusiastically received in her solos she responded most generously.

Dr. Townsend was in fine voice. One cannot help but marvel thereat. He was introduced by Dr. Hill, co-ordinator for southern California.

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TORRANCE THEATRE

PHONE TORRANCE 132 ADULTS 25c CHILDREN 10c Thurs., Fri., Sat., October 14-15-16 ROBERT TAYLOR, ELEANOR POWELL in "BROADWAY MELODY" and BORIS KARLOFF, JEAN ROGERS in "NIGHT KEY" Sun., Mon., Tues., Oct. 17-18-19 JOHN BOLES, BARBARA STANWYCK in "STELLA DALLAS" and WARNER OLAND in "Charlie Chan On Broadway" \$\$\$-Surprise Nite-\$\$\$ Wed., Oct. 20, One Nite Only CHAS. QUIGLEY, ROSALIND KEITH in "CRIMINALS OF THE AIR" and DONALD WOODS in "TALENT SCOUT" \$\$\$-Come Early-\$\$\$

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Oh, can't you hear the joy-bells ring? There's beautiful fragrance in the air! All nature 'round about would sing, And flow'rs are blooming wondrous fair!

There are so many kinds of joy... joy of service, joy of creating, joy of love, and just the mere joy of living. What ever would we do without joy?

QUESTIONS What is topiary work? We Californians act as if the lemon had originated here. It didn't, though. It came from some other place. Where?

How do you pronounce Ar-ro-yo Seco? What does it mean?

TODAY'S PROVERB "What we gave we have; what we spent we had; what we left we lost." —Epitaph of Earl of Devon

ANSWERS Topiary work is to be seen occasionally. It is the elaborate work done upon certain shrubs by eternally patient gardeners, turning said shrubs into likenesses of animals and birds and trees.

The lemon is thought to have originated in Asia. Here in California, the lemon first began to be cultivated in 1850.

Arroyo Seco is properly pronounced Ar-ro-yo Say-co, not Ar-ro-yo Seco-co. The name, which is Spanish, means Dry Creek. Very appropriate, indeed.

ADIOS "Said the Table to the Chair, 'You can hardly be aware How I suffer from the heat And from chilblains on my feet. If we took a little walk, We might have a little talk; Pray let us take the air,' Said the Table to the Chair." —Edward Lear

Bantam Mothers Quails CLARENDON, Tex. (U.P.)—A bantam hen on the F. J. Hill farm has a brood of baby Bou Whites.

Canary Bathes With Fish CLEVELAND (U.P.)—Mrs. Dorothy Zidan's canary invariably takes a bath in the gold fish bowl.

PLAZA THEATRE HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA Telephone 299 "The Friendly Family Theatre" EARPHONES NOW AVAILABLE Thursday, Friday, Saturday Matinee, Oct. 14-15-16 WILL EDGERS in "DAVID HARUM" Also The Jones "HOT WATER" Family in "THE MARCH OF TIME" Friday Nite Play Magic Screen Saturday Nite, Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Oct. 16-17-18-19 SONJA HENIE and TYRONE POWER in "THIN ICE" also BARTON McLANE "WINE, WOMEN, and HORSES" and ANN SHERIDAN in NOTE: Saturday Night—"THIN ICE" and "HOT WATER" Wednesday, One Day Only, Oct. 20 DOUGLAS FAIRBANKS, JR. in "WHEN THIEF MEETS THIEF" also Walter Brennan "AFFAIRS OF CAPPY RICKS" and Mary Brian \$\$\$ COME EARLY \$\$\$ DOORS OPEN 6 P. M. \$\$\$

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